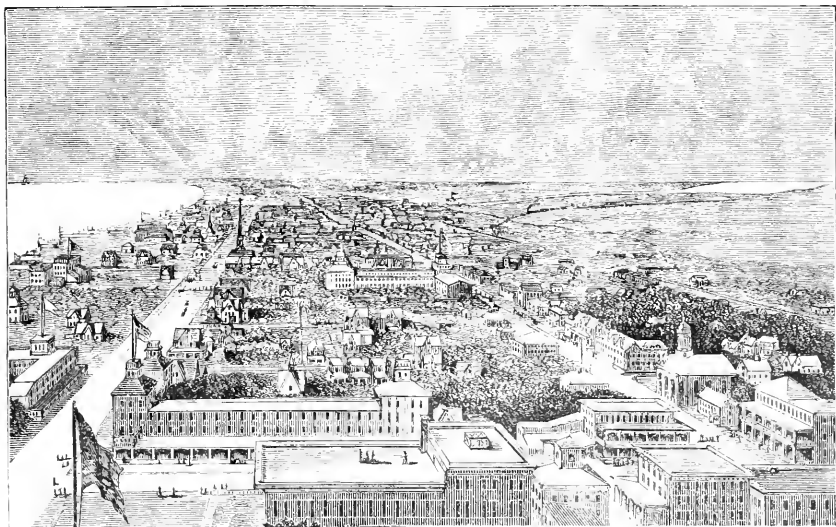


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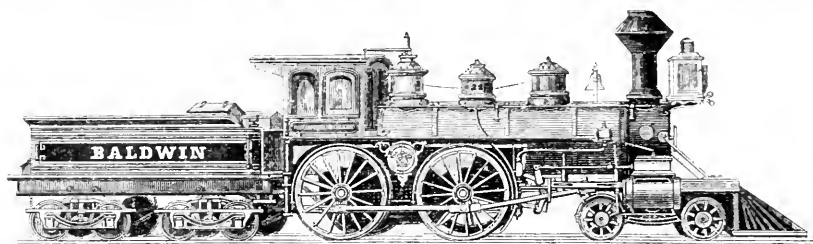
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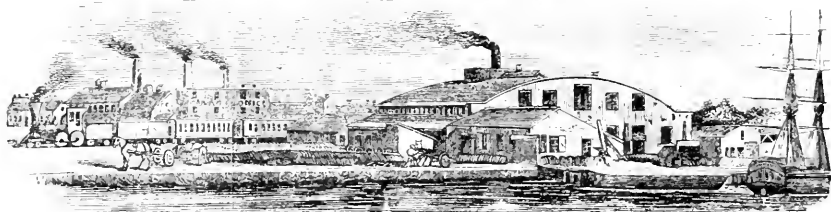
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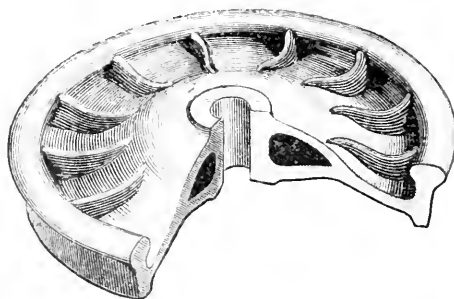


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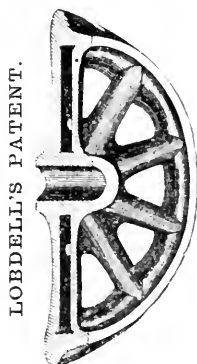
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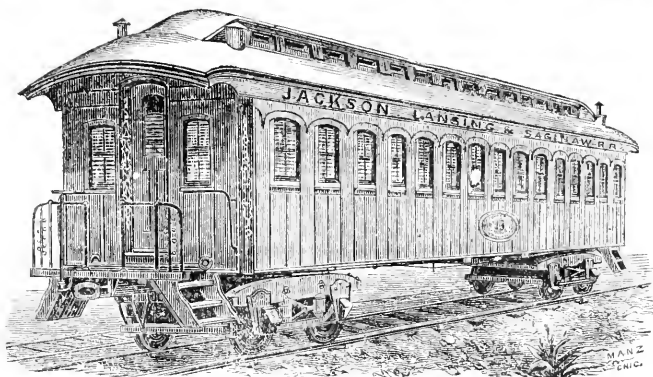
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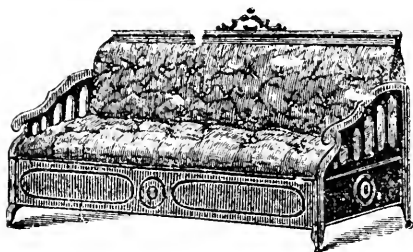
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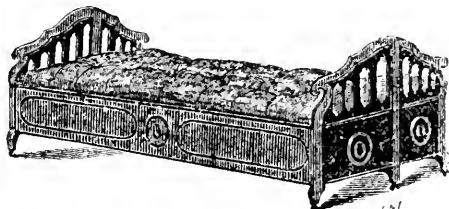
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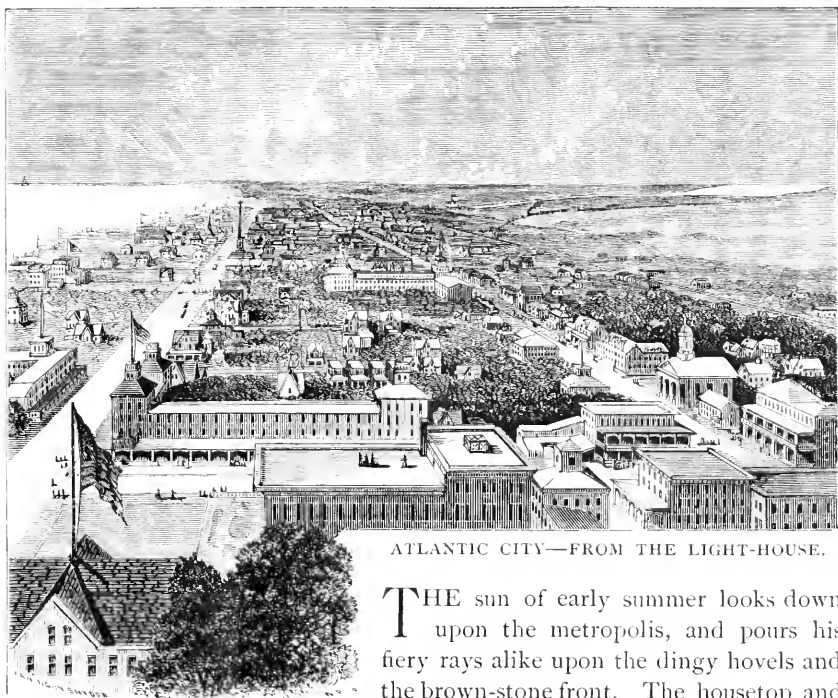
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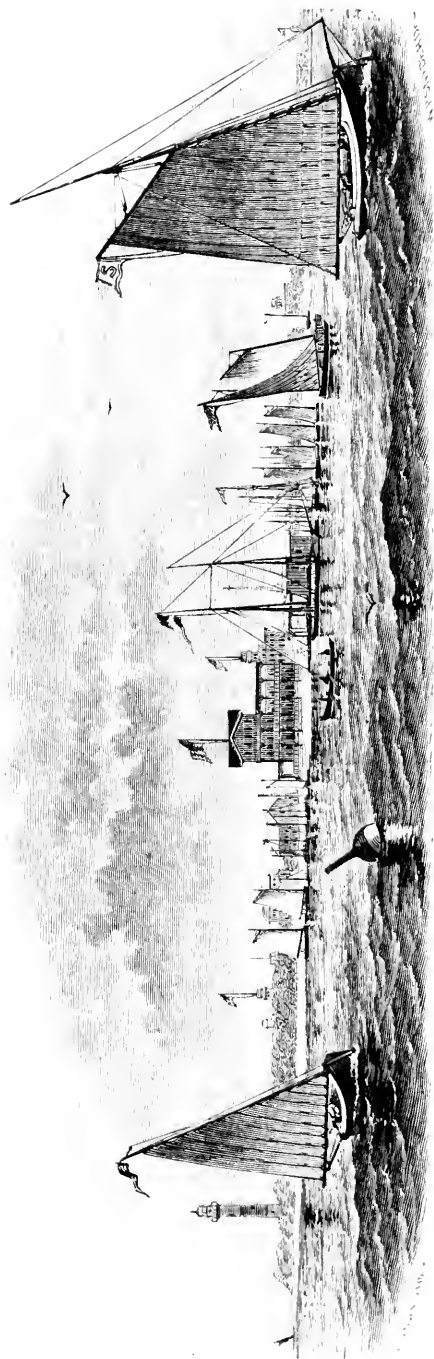
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ATLANTIC CITY—FROM THE LIGHT-HOUSE.

THE sun of early summer looks down upon the metropolis, and pours his fiery rays alike upon the dingy hovels and the brown-stone front. The housetop and the pavements reflect back the heat, and the foliage on the trees hangs drooping. Nature is seemingly parched and lifeless, and from adown the street comes a cloud of dust and smoke. Jehu lazily cracks his whip at the slow-plodding cab-horses. The beneficent ministry of sunshades is invoked for man, woman, and beast, and all, in sweltering discomfort, go slowly and wearily about their employments. It is a sultry summer day; thermometers and iced juleps are alternately consulted; the parks overflow with



UP THE INLET.

a dejected-looking throng, while in the counting-room chiefs and subordinates, in their shirt-sleeves, are lounging here and there, vainly striving to catch a whiff of pure air wandering in at the open windows. The invalid, pale and wan, seeks some shady nook, and fans away the weary day, dreaming the while of some sequestered spot down by the sea, or, perhaps, of some quiet mountain ravine, where the din and bustle of city life do not disturb.

To escape the city is the ambition of the host, and every day shows a sensible diminution of the number who are still held at home by business or other necessities. By the first of July the annual *he-gira* commences, and we are well advanced into October before the "summering" of the people is over.

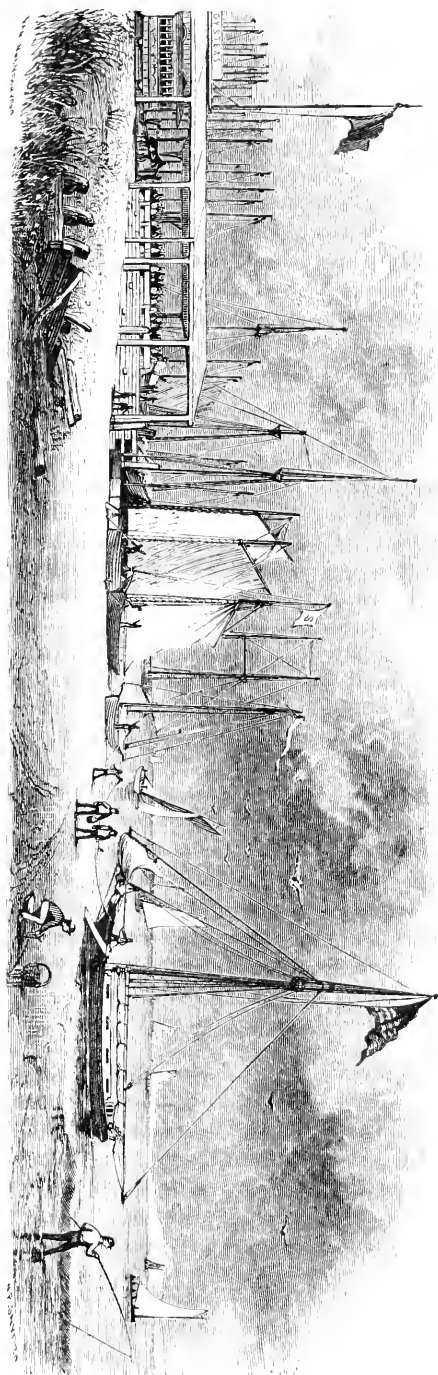
With the growth of the cities the need for increased accommodations during the hot season has been met, both by the development of countless places of pleasant resort and by greatly improved facilities for reaching them. The people have created by their demand a host of beautiful and healthful resorts, within easy access of the larger cities, where clear air, lovely scenery, refreshing temperature, comfortable accommodations, and agreeable society, combine to give us that summer rest which the dwellers in large cities so greatly need.

Upon the dozen railroads that radiate from every large metropolis a lively tide ebbs and flows

during the warmer months, reaching out an hundred miles in some directions, and to the limits of the lines in others, carrying the multitudes to and from the country, the mountains, and the sea. The railroad stations, on Saturdays and Mondays especially, teem with crowds of those who cannot entirely separate themselves from business, but to whom the multiplied railroad facilities afford the opportunity for a day and a couple of nights spent in the enjoyment and rest of "out-of-town" scenery. In private villas, in wayside inns, in comfortable hotels, thousands and thousands of the over-worked men and over-anxious women of the city find their summer recreation: men who forget for the while that there is any such thing as money-getting; women who win an oblivion to all their vexing household cares; children in blessed emancipation from their thralldom of books and slates and black-boards—all enjoying a happy vacation. In whatever direction the traveler turns his steps, out along the lines of the converging railroads he finds places in which he may pass the heated term; and in *one* direction—namely, *via* the Camden and Atlantic Railroad—he reaches, in less than two hours from Philadelphia, the bracing salt air of the sea-beach. One and three-quarter hours in a luxurious car, and he steps into a new life in the elastic and invigorating atmosphere of

ATLANTIC CITY.

LANDING-PLACE ON THE INLET.



It is stepping in a moment, as it were, from the suffocation of bricks and mortar into the stimulating breath of old ocean. Here is the nearest route, by twenty miles, to the sea-shore, and the facilities for conveyance thither are surpassed by few railroads in any section of the country. Six trains daily, with two extras on Saturdays, carry their heavy burdens through to the City by the Sea. Successive seasons compel a constant addition to the conveniences of the company. New passenger cars, of elegant finish, built for the Pacific Company, have just been placed upon the road; and to meet the requirements of this season, it was deemed necessary to purchase two new and powerful locomotives. New continuous track is taking the place of the old, palace cars are attached to every express train, and their swift wheels will carry the delicate invalid over the straight and level course without jolt or jar. This year there will be added to the timetable an extra express, giving two through express trains each way daily. Throughout the season a special train for accommodation of excursionists leaves Camden in the early morning, returning late in the afternoon. Specially reduced rates are made in their favor, and an excursion house, with modern hotel conveniences and a large saloon for dancing and other amusements, has been provided for their free use. The regular fare is placed at a reasonable rate, a single ticket to Atlantic being only two dollars, and very liberal reductions are made in the way of commutation, annual and

quarterly tickets, the object of the company being to identify the interests of visitors and of all their patrons with their own, and thus secure a mutual benefit.

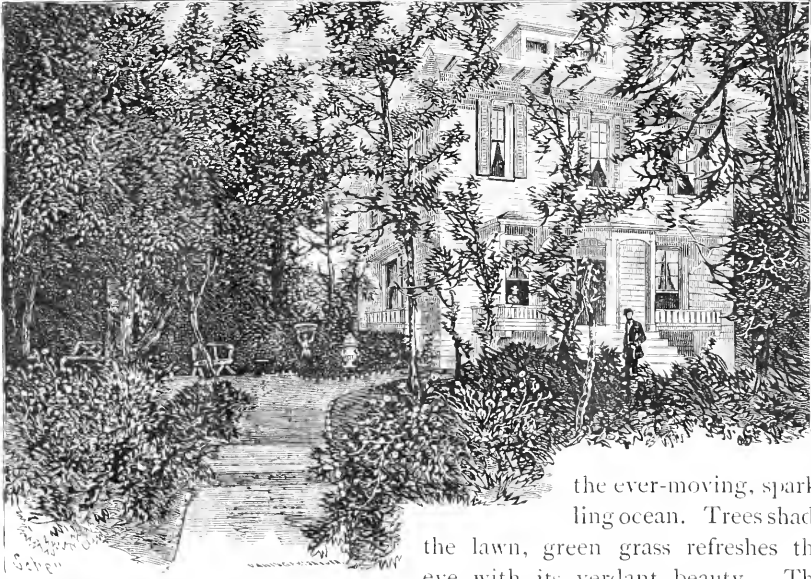
The grand success which has followed the establishment of Atlantic City as a watering-place is indeed marvelous. When occasion causes us to refer to instances of rapid growth our thoughts turn to the wondrous rise of cities in the West, but why go so far for our illustrations? Here at our door lies a city, the growth of twenty years, attractive and famous, with facilities for accommodating thirty thousand people—a city with all the charms and advantages of competency resorts, and many which they have not; a city which, less than twenty years ago, was unknown and unnoticed, save by the mariner who saw it marked on his chart as “Absecon Beach,” an island of excellent strand, but no civilization.

Looking at the rapid and healthful growth of the city to-day, and recalling her uncertain fortunes of fifteen years ago, her friends cannot but rejoice. The first-class hotels and numerous boarding-houses, constantly enlarging, are constantly finding themselves too small; cottages spring up with a rapidity and in numbers without parallel in the history of any resort.

And with increasing numbers has come a growth of taste in architecture, so that in the more modern cottages the builders have combined beauty and elegance with substantial comfort. The homes of Mr. Thos. C. Hand, Mr. H. M. Snyder, and

Mr. Richard Wright, are especially pleasant in location and arrangement. So marked has been the increase in the number and attractive-

ness of private cottages that Atlantic City has been called, by way of especial distinction, "The City of Homes on the Sea-side."



MR. RICHARD WRIGHT'S COTTAGE.

The solid character of its patrons, the better elements of society, the quiet, home-like aspect of the place, the natural scenery and charms peculiar to itself, all conspire to make Atlantic City the very ideal of a summer resort. Art and design have added to its attractions, beautifying it with extended avenues, walks bordered with trees, and with gardens whose fragrance unites with the cool breeze of ocean to delight and refresh the weary and win back the invalid to health. Miles of broad board walk, on the very edge of the sea, realize to the full the delights of the promenade. How quiet it is here, how peaceful, how grand! Before its long line of cottages lies

the ever-moving, sparkling ocean. Trees shade the lawn, green grass refreshes the eye with its verdant beauty. The dwellings and villas are not oases of life in the midst of a sandy desert. The refreshing sea has blessed the spot; its summer breathings come to cool, to calm, to caress. The blasts of winter do not mar the place that summer loves so well to decorate.

Out upon the long, broad highway that ocean has paved, or upon the carpeted miles of meadow, or the graveled avenues, appear during the summer days hundreds of equipages, filled with delighted youth and age. Their numbers, and the vim with which they enjoy these drives, show how happily the desire of visitors has been interpreted, how fortunate the thought which led to the improvement and extension of the natural advantages of the place in this

respect. The ebbing tide lays bare ten miles of level beach, hard and unyielding, save to the horse's hoof, and here, from its very lips, the visitor inhales the health-giving breath



ON THE SHINING SANDS.

of ocean. The streets of the city give an almost equally firm and durable

road-bed, and this course, without returning upon itself, affords seven miles of excellent driving.

Situated between two popular inlets,—Absecom and Great Egg Harbor,—the place affords facilities for aquatic sports unexcelled on the New Jersey coast. It has not only the attractions of the open ocean as at other resorts, but of the Inlet, which forms the northeastern boundary of the island. The thoroughfares and creeks which wind gracefully through the meadows on the west are places of peculiar interest to the aquatically disposed. The attractions of the Inlet are especially alluring, and lively sports are often witnessed here. Little

white-winged yachts, with all the modern appurtenances, are ever in trim for a sail out upon the deep blue sea, while fishing boats, with tackle, carry the visitor to the oyster beds and the bays, which abound in fish and water-fowl.

From the belfry of the light-house, 170 feet above the surface of the earth, a grand panorama of sea and land is spread out before the eye, and the glory of nature's handiwork is plainly visible. Looking west, the fertile farms and green-clad hills of the main shore appear as one broad territorial domain, rich in produce,

"With ease alluring, and with plenty blest."

The scene from the southwest is beautiful. Old ocean, vast and various, sublime in all its forms, in limpid blue and evanescent green, stretches into the distant horizon. You may watch the mightiest billow until it rushes inland, breaks upon the strand with a terrible force and roar, then comes curling faint and gently, o'ercreeping the sand, and back returns in silence.

That the thoroughfare, near the bridge, affords excellent advantages for sport seems to be proven by the fact that two or three boat-clubs make their headquarters down at the bridge. The fishing is generally good, and crabbing—that liveliest of sports—most excellent. There are boats for hire, with line, baits, etc., in abundance.

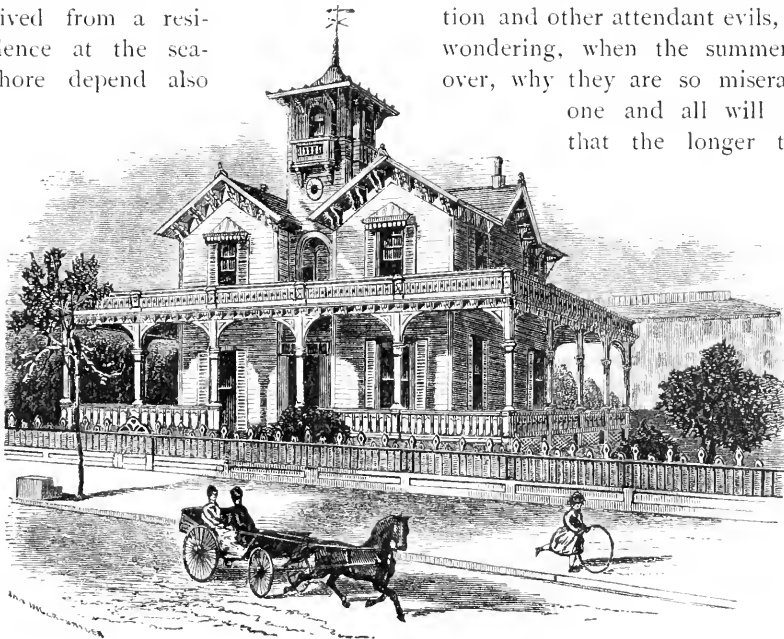
But in sea-bathing is found the most popular and universal recreation. The young and the old, men, women, and children, may be seen at all hours in the day seeking health

amid the buffeting waves. Thousands of the strong are daily allured by its delights; thousands of the weak seek it because they have nowhere found so rich and powerful a tonic as in sea-bathing. Nor need fears of danger disturb the timid. Only the commonest prudence is necessary, the beach sloping very gently into the sea, and giving at no time strength of undertow. And the invalid finds in Atlantic City a provision met with at no other resort in this country—hot and cold sea-water baths. Two large establishments have been built here, at which the invalid may bathe in water direct from the sea, and yet at a temperature which he himself, with his hand on the faucet, may every moment make and change to his liking.

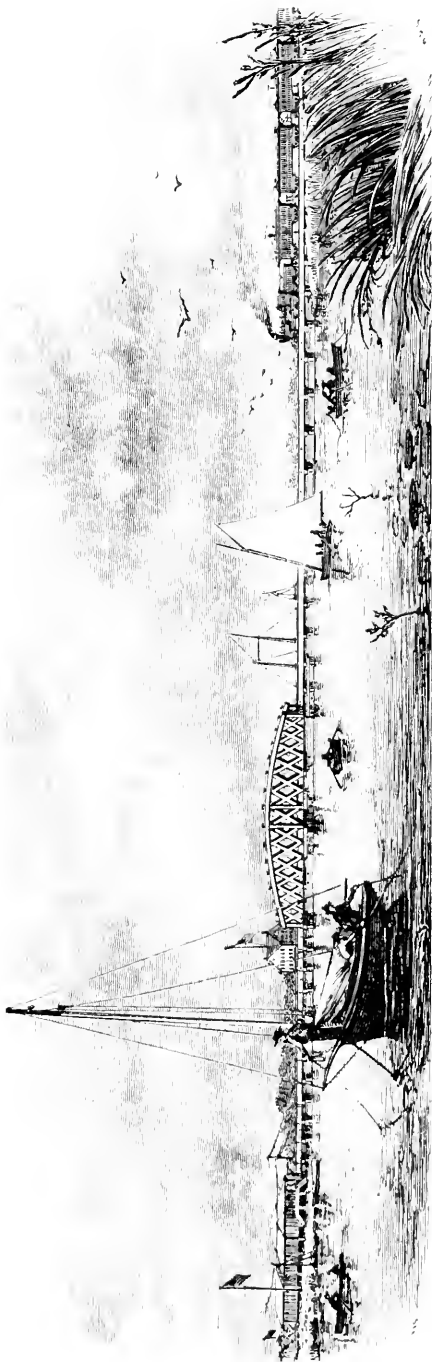
It has been found by experience that the benefits derived from a residence at the seashore depend also

to a great extent upon the general state of the atmosphere. A dry air contributes much towards stimulating the digestive organs and causing the perfect assimilation of food, by more effectually and easily oxidizing the blood. This applies when no injurious particles are suspended, and when the air is pleasantly cooled, which is the case at Atlantic City. It can readily be seen how invalids would be benefited by a residence here in preference to any other watering place. The air has a dryness, peculiar and remarkable, above any place on our coast. The unusually high percentage of iodine in the air, and of iodine and chloride of sodium in the water, almost invariably give to the invalid a speedy relief. The same is true with regard to those who have comparatively good health.

Instead of suffering with indigestion and other attendant evils, and wondering, when the summer is over, why they are so miserable, one and all will find that the longer their



MR. THOMAS C. HAND'S COTTAGE.



THE THOROUGHFARE.

stay in Atlantic the more marked and permanent their improvement. Such has been the experience of those who have been its patrons for years; such is the constant testimony to-day.

But perhaps no evidence carries with it the force that is contained in the single fact that the physicians are the firmest friends of this resort. The two great medical schools of Philadelphia (the University of Pennsylvania and Jefferson College) have long occupied the highest rank, not only as compared with others of this country but with the academies of medicine throughout the world, and their endorsement of a remedy or of a system carries with it an influence amounting to a species of intellectual legislation. *These schools*, by the prolonged annual visits of many of the professors of both faculties, by the regular patronage of large numbers of the practising physicians of Philadelphia (their graduates), as well as by the hosts of their patients found here at all seasons of the year, *have placed their emphatic endorsement upon Atlantic as the health-seeker's resort par excellence.*

The geographical position of the island is peculiarly favorable. Facing towards the south, it stretches away ten miles directly across the current of the prevailing winds of summer, and the breezes that come to Philadelphia heated to burning by the thousand miles of parched

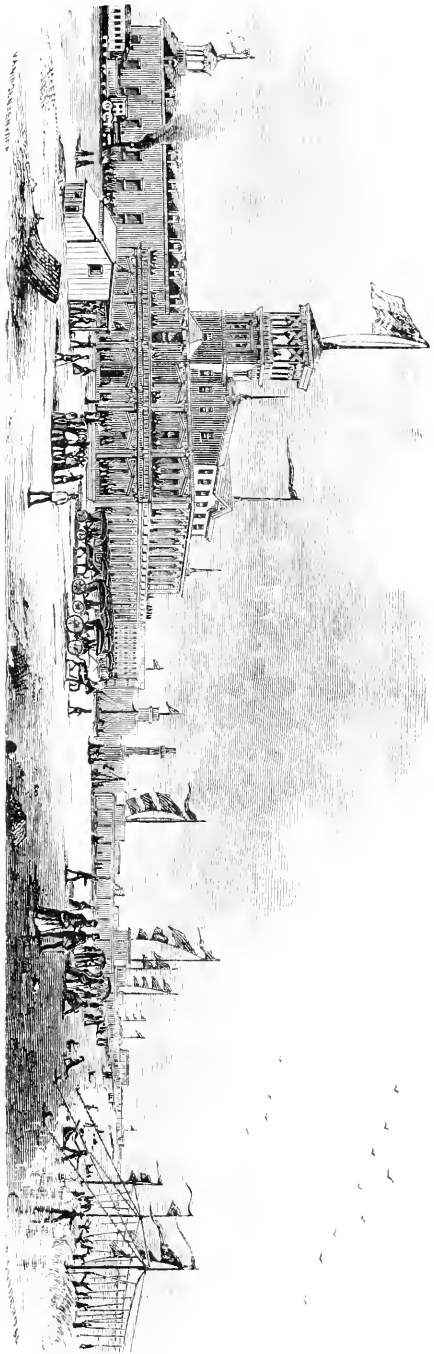
lands over which they have blown, come in upon this sea-city, from off the vast expanse of waters, cooled and invigorating, in very truth "with healing in their wings," and with a constancy that fails not through all the warm season.

From any point at all elevated the view of the ocean is unobstructed; the whole city is cooled by the air, and all its broad avenues give a pleasant promenade. Parallel with the line of the tide, two and a half miles in length, run three avenues, and crossing at right angles with these, within the built-up portion, are perhaps fifty others, well graded, and graveled. Atlantic is the principal business street, and here, as the train stops in succession before the different hotels, the full passenger cars discharge their burthen.

The observant visitor needs but a glance to convince him that he has reached a prosperous and well-ordered community. Six churches (two Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian, Friends', and Catholic), a large and efficient public school, a daily paper (*The Atlantic City Daily Review*), street lamps, uniformed police, and—last, but not least—an excellent city government, assure him that he has reached a city indeed.

Hotel charges are placed at a reasonable figure, and a good cottage may be had for \$500 a year. Or, if parties desire to permanently locate, they may

THE EXTENSION HOUSE.



build to their taste on excellent lots, costing on an average about \$1000.

We close this review by appending an abstract from the impressions of

Mr. Geo. L. Catlin, as recorded in his book on "Sea-Shore Homes:"

"But it is to invalid children that this atmosphere of Atlantic City ap-



A SCENE IN FRONT OF SCHAUFLEER'S HOTEL.

pears to give its most healthful influences, and so well established has this fact become that a few benevolent Philadelphians have established here a 'Children's Sea-Shore House,' where, during the past season, twenty-seven sick and wasted little ones from the city were furnished maintenance and attendance. During the present

summer there has been erected a large and handsome building for this purpose, with accommodation for fifty or sixty children, ground having been donated by one of the members of the association. The enterprise appeals to the sympathies of every parent, and deserves a generous support and encouragement."

ATLANTIC CITY.

WHAT ONE OF OUR PHYSICIANS SAYS.

THE following correspondence is self-explanatory and highly interesting at this time:

OFFICE OF THE CAMDEN & ATLANTIC }
R. R. CO., CAMDEN, N. J., June 14, 1873. }

DR. WM. V. KEATING, 1604 Locust St., Phila.

MY DEAR DOCTOR,—Understanding that for some years past you have frequented Atlantic City, and have recommended it as a place of resort to many invalids, for the restoration of their health, would you do me the favor to inform me what are its advantages as a place of resort for invalids?

Yours very truly,
D. M. ZIMMERMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

DR. KEATING'S RESPONSE.

1604 LOCUST ST., June 19, 1873.

DEAR SIR,—I am in the receipt of your favor, and will endeavor to afford you the information you desire.

It has often struck me with astonishment that in this country the selection of a place of resort for invalids during the summer months should, as a general rule, be the result of accident, whim, or fashion. It is not, therefore, unnatural that many invalids, after their summer campaign, return not only scarcely benefited, but, in many instances, with their diseases positively aggravated by their reckless, injudicious selection. In the varieties of con-

stitutions, difference of temperaments, and protean forms of disease among invalids, it is, indeed, passing strange that a patient who will strictly follow and adhere to the opinion of a professional man upon all the therapeutical indications of his case, will trust to his own judgment in the choice of the hygienic conditions to which he will subject himself during a season, when nature offers him, in the form of mineral waters, baths, and climate, all the elements he may require to restore a shattered constitution, provided a judicious selection be made of his place of resort! The many bad results of such recklessness and inexperience bring the priceless benefits accruing from proper hygiene into discredit, and discourage the masses from having recourse to those means which, properly applied, would yield all the advantages desired.

What a different state of things exists abroad, where all these conditions are attended to and placed under the surveillance of experienced and properly educated medical men, who impart to invalids all information needed as to the peculiarities of climate, atmospheric influences, and therapeutical applications of the water and baths of the various localities to which they resort! There can thus be no conflict of opinion, no injudicious rivalry, no fatal mistakes, from which the localities in question fall into discredit, and the general judicious rules of hygiene fall into contempt.

DRYNESS OF THE ATMOSPHERE.

Some fifteen years since I visited Atlantic City, and, with many others,* I was struck with the peculiarity of its position, the distinctive characteristics of its climate, the singular dryness of atmosphere rendering it in many respects one of the most lovely, salubrious climates I have ever visited. From careful observations, made for several consecutive years, I have noticed that during the months of June, July, August, and September, the prevailing wind at Atlantic City is south by west. Situated in a cove, with a large area of dry, sandy, and thickly-timbered land to the southwest, it seems as if the prevailing sea-breeze lost much of its humidity in passing over this thickly-wooded and sandy country, with no fresh water to counteract its effects before reaching the town. The same condition exists also in reference to the northeast winds, which, when they prevail, I have noticed, are much less keen and much less humid than with us, lasting sometimes forty-eight hours at the shore without bringing a drop of rain, whilst at the same time the same wind is attended with great dampness and heavy rains in our city and environs.

This peculiarly characteristic dryness of the atmosphere† and of the sea-breezes, however it may be ac-

counted for, is patent to all who have ever sojourned at Atlantic City, and is the distinctive feature of the place to which I attribute its great advantage over every other sea-bathing place on the coast. The time will come when some more exact and satisfactory explanation will be given of the phenomenon, which I now claim as affording to invalids all the invigoration from a sea-shore residence without the usually accompanying humidity so aggravating to many diseases.

This remarkable dryness of climate, resembling in this respect more the characteristics of Nice, on the Mediterranean, than any sea-coast I have ever visited, is the characteristic of the climate of Atlantic City, which affords relief and cure to all cases of rheumatic fever and arthritis, even in the most acute stages. I know of many instances in which invalids, after having recourse, without benefit, to the various mineral waters and baths in the country, have there been entirely cured by a summer sojourn. I have ventured to send patients there in the height of an attack of rheumatic gout, in the months of May and June, who have had complete amelioration of all their symptoms within forty-eight hours of their residence, provided they located themselves as near the ocean as possible, so as to

* Among the many eminent medical men who have endorsed my views, I am proud to name the late Professor Jackson, of the University of Pennsylvania, whose far-seeing eye and keen judgment caused him, in 1859, to state to me that he considered the atmospheric condition of Atlantic City one of the most peculiar in the country, and that it would in time become available in the treatment of many diseases.

† In the year 1871 I went to Atlantic City in the month of March, and whilst visiting Mr.

Metzger's cottage, on Connecticut Avenue, then close to the ocean, asking to light a cigar, he opened a drawer of a wash-stand and found a lucifer match, which had been there since the cottage had been closed in October. The slightest friction caused it to ignite at once.

Visitors are all well conversant with the fact that their wearing apparel never becomes limp under the influences of the sea-breeze, nor their boots and shoes covered with mildew, as in all the other sea-side resorts on our coast.

avoid the land-breezes. To another class of cases, also, I am convinced that Atlantic City offers relief, if not positive cure, which cannot be obtained in any other portion of our sea-coast. I allude to those trying and refractory cases of chronic bronchitis, laryngitis, incipient tuberculosis, and scrofula. I must add that in the last two years I have been in the habit of sending patients, even in the more advanced stages of tuberculosis and scrofula, with marked benefit. All medical men are familiar with the fact that the above class of cases can seldom venture upon a sojourn at the sea-side, on account of the dampness, the distinctive feature of such a location, a peculiar condition most apt to aggravate the diseases in question, and considered by some of our best observers as one of the atmospheric conditions most to be feared by those threatened with pulmonary complaints. In this respect again, Atlantic City offers a striking analogy with Nice, where, it is well known, all the invalids of Europe (affected with chest diseases) flock for a winter's resort.

It is difficult to estimate the immense advantages resulting to invalids suffering from pulmonary and scrofulous affections, being able to obtain all the benefits accruing from the invigoration and the improved digestion of a sea-side residence, without the usual pernicious accompaniment of excessive dampness, which relaxes the system and predisposes to a general catarrhal condition.

The dryness of climate, the absence of malaria, the balminess of the atmosphere, permit a sojourn at Atlantic City from the middle of May until

the middle of November, and for a few years past I have sent many invalids there to avoid our keen and irritating land-breezes of the months of March, April, and May, where, by a close residence near the sea, these winds are always tempered by the dry sea-breezes which set in morning and evening.

What an inestimable blessing to a city like Philadelphia, with its million of inhabitants, to have almost as its suburb, within two hours' pleasant ride, a sea-side residence combining such rare hygienic advantages!

It is full time that you should extend your road along the shore, and allow all classes of our citizens to avail themselves of the opportunity of erecting comfortable and inexpensive sea-side homes in one of the most delightful and salubrious spots on our continent.

With the approaching Centennial celebration it will be essential for our citizens and guests to have some healthy, invigorating sea-side resort accessible to the city, where, by frequent trains, they can throw off the usual excitement and excessive heat of a thronged city, and whilst seeking repose and enjoyment can restore their weakened constitutions under the healthful influences of a most genial climate.

The spirit of charity and enterprise is aroused. Already have the wants of a class of invalids been provided for by the energy of Mr. David Spooner, in the erection of a large and commodious bathing establishment, on a scale unequaled in this country, where the paralyzed, the weak and timid can all enjoy the inestimable benefits arising from hot and cold salt-baths and shower-baths.

Medical men alone can estimate the value of such an enterprise, and it is not difficult to predict the result not only to a class of invalids who have hitherto been precluded by their very condition from deriving much benefit from a sea-side residence, but to the general advancement of the town.

A SANITARIUM SUGGESTED.

May we not hope, also, that some of our wealthier citizens will soon emulate this noble example, and devote their attention and means towards the establishment of a spacious sanitarium at Atlantic City, where the poor convalescents of our city hospitals, the diseased, the deformed, the frail, weakened, emaciated sewing-girl, the sedentary inmate for a whole year of some ill-ventilated hovel, may share with more fortunate brethren the benefits of the healthful, invigorating, life-restoring breezes of this dry and bracing atmosphere?

How much more real benefit might be derived from the united efforts of our Philadelphia women in their "new departure," if they would establish homes at our sea-side where their weak, weary, and worn-out humbler sisters might recruit their shattered constitutions at a fixed and moderate board, thus placing it in the power of every prudent and deserving woman to devote three or four weeks of every year to the invigoration of her system. Such a tender solicitude for the welfare of human beings seems to me a higher, worthier aim than an aspiration to vote, or a maudlin, exaggerated sympathy for the brute creation.

In conclusion, I would respectfully call the attention of my medical

brethren throughout the United States to the rare advantages which the peculiar atmospheric conditions of Atlantic City offer them for the relief and cure of a large class of cases, in the treatment of which it has long been a well-established principle to trust more to hygiene than to actual medication.

My own experience, superadded to that of some of the most eminent members of our profession, authorizes me to assert that the day is not distant when the inhabitants of the great West, South, and North-West, especially those suffering from the sequelæ of malarial poisoning, with debilitated digestive organs, impoverished blood, and from what is termed a cachectic condition of the system, will all resort to Atlantic City to obtain that invigoration from its dry, bracing atmosphere which is the very opposite to the atmospheric conditions in which they have contracted their diseases.

What a precious boon will it be to the invalids of our country if, without the necessity of exposing themselves to a long sea-voyage, to complete expatriation, or to the dreadful wars and revolutions which are now threatening the foundations of European governments and disturbing their prosperity and tranquillity, they can find in their own native land, once more restored to peace and harmony, all the variations of climate and hygienic conditions conducive to their restoration to health or the amelioration of their sufferings!

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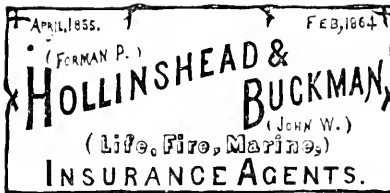
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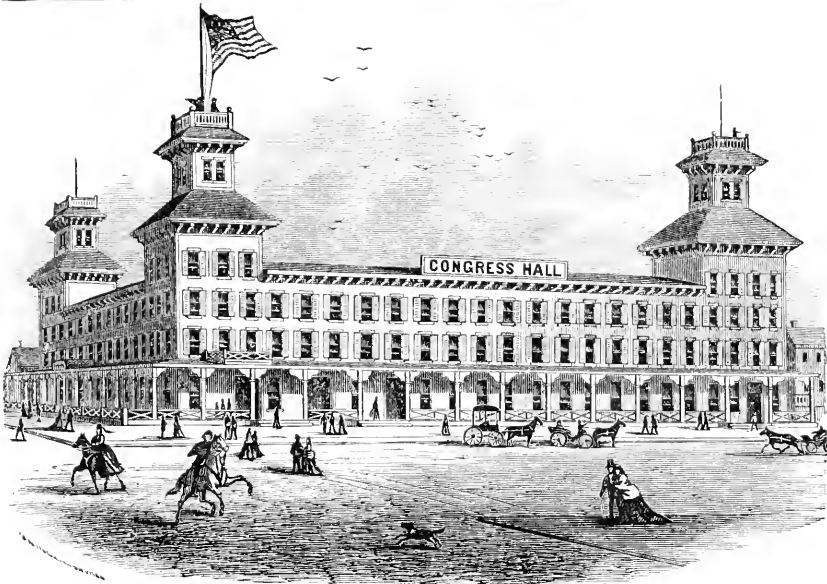
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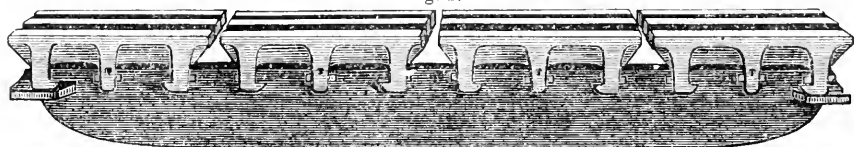


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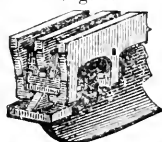


Fig. 1. Represents a side elevation, showing upper sections and bearer with air space between.

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